

NATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION ADMINISTRATION AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Consumer Protection and Finance held a hearing on H.R. 5497, to authorize appropriations for the National Telecommunications and Information Administration for fiscal years 1985 and 1986. Testimony was heard from David J. Markey, Assistant Secretary for Communications and Information, Department of Commerce.

OVERSIGHT—FBI AUTHORIZATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Civil and Constitutional Rights continued oversight hearings on FBI Authorization request for fiscal year 1985. Testimony was heard from William H. Webster, Director, FBI, Department of Justice.

SENIOR EXECUTIVE SERVICE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: On April 13, the Subcommittee on Civil Service concluded hearings on the Senior Executive Service. Testimony was heard from Dr. Thomas P. Christie, Deputy Director for General Purpose Programs, Office of the Secretary of Defense; Dr. Harriet G. Jenkins, Assistant Administrator for Equal Opportunity Programs, NASA; Dr. Thomas E. Malone, Deputy Director, NIH, Department of Health and Human Services; Donald J. Devine, Director, Office of Personnel Management; Dennis Devaney, member, Merit Systems Protection Board; and a public witness.

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Wednesday, April 25, 1984

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Ten bills and six resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2588-2597, S.J. Res. 279-282, S. Con. Res. 107, and S. Res. 372.

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Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows: S. 2100, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to sell ammunition for use for avalanche-control purposes. (S. Rept. No. 98-411)

S. 2597, to authorize the awarding of special congressional gold medals to the daughter of Harry S. Truman, to Lady Bird Johnson, and to Elie Wiesel.

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Measures Passed:

Private Relief: Senate passed S. 1126, for the relief of a private citizen.

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Referral to U.S. Claims Court: Senate agreed to S. Res. 48, referring S. 413, a private relief bill, to the Chief Judge of the United States Claims Court.

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Private Relief: Senate passed S. 1989, for the relief of a private citizen, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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American Gold Star Mothers, Incorporated: Senate passed S. 2413, recognizing the organization known as the American Gold Star Mothers, Incorporated, after agreeing to committee amendments thereto.

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Solidarity Sunday: Senate agreed to S. Res. 367, expressing the sense of the Senate in support of "Solidarity Sunday."

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National Nursing Home Residents Day: Senate passed S.J. Res. 198, designating April 27, 1984, as "National Nursing Home Residents Day."

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National Women Veterans Recognition Week: Senate passed S.J. Res. 227, designating the week beginning November 11, 1984, as "National Women Veterans Recognition Week."

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National Asthma and Allergy Awareness Week: Senate passed S.J. Res. 244, designating the week beginning on May 6, 1984, as "National Asthma and Allergy Awareness Week."

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Credit and Debit Card Counterfeiting and Fraud Act: Senate passed S. 1870, providing penalties for certain offenses involving counterfeiting and trafficking in phony credit and debit cards and related fraud, after agreeing to committee amendments and the following amendments proposed thereto:

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(1) Baker (for Dole) Amendment No. 3029, encouraging the establishment of a system to positively verify persons holding and using payment devices.

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(2) Baker (for Thurmond) Amendment No. 3030, of a technical nature.

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Child Support Enforcement Amendments: By unanimous vote of 94 yeas (Vote No. 79), Senate passed H.R. 4325, amending part D (Child Support and Establishment of Paternity) of Title IV of the Social Security Act, to assure improvement in the child support enforcement program, after agreeing

to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Miscellaneous Tariff, Trade, and Customs Matters: Senate continued consideration of H.R. 2163, making miscellaneous amendments to the tariff and trade laws of the United States, with a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, taking action on additional amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Rejected:

By 27 yeas to 68 nays (Vote No. 78), Helms Amendment No. 3028, to provide for a 10 percent reduction in budget authority.

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Pending:

Baker Amendment No. 3027, to further reduce deficits by including reconciliation provisions and appropriations caps for defense and non-defense discretionary spending for fiscal years 1985, 1986, and 1987.

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Senate will continue consideration of the bill and amendments proposed thereto on Thursday, April 26.

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—79)

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Recess: Senate convened at 12 noon and recessed at 6:23 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Thursday, April 26, 1984. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of Senator Baker in today's Record on page 9914.)

Committee Meetings

FOOD/NUTRITION PROGRAMS

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded oversight hearings on the implementation of the Federal food and nutrition service programs, including food stamps, child nutrition, and commodity distribution, after receiving testimony from Mary C. Jarratt, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture for Food and Consumer Services; Thomas J. Burke, Assistant Inspector General for Investigation, and Donn E. Adkisson, Assistant Inspector General for Audit, both of the Office of Inspector General, Department of Agriculture; and Brian P. Crowley, Senior Associate Director of Resources, Community

and Economic Development Division, General Accounting Office.

APPROPRIATIONS—HHS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies continued hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1985 for certain programs of the Department of Health and Human Services, receiving testimony from numerous public witnesses.

Subcommittee will meet again tomorrow.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of James H. Webb, Jr., of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense, and 56 routine Air Force nominations.

Prior to this action, the committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Mr. Webb, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Warner, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

Also, the committee concluded closed hearings on the nomination of Chapman B. Cox, of Virginia, to be General Counsel of the Department of Defense, where the nominee, who was introduced by Senators Warner and Armstrong, testified and answered questions in his own behalf, and began consideration of the nomination, but did not take final action thereon.

GOLD MEDALS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee approved for reporting an original bill (S. 2597) providing for the awarding of gold medals in recognition of the public service of Harry S. Truman, Elie Wiesel, and Lady Bird Johnson, in lieu of H.R. 3614, S.J. Res. 231, and H.J. Res. 394.

TEXTILE PRODUCTS IDENTIFICATION

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on the Consumer concluded hearings on S. 1816, to require the labeling of textile fiber and wool products as to country of origin, after receiving testimony from Senator Thurmond; James H. Martin, Jr., American Textile Manufacturers Institute, L. Sykes Martin, National Cotton Council, Charles R. Carlisle, Man-made Fiber Producers Association, Murray H. Finley, Amalgamated Clothing and Textile Workers Union, and Simon Gluckson, American Association of Exporters and Importers, all of Washington, D.C.; Wilbur Daniels, International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union, New York City; and Larry B. Shelton, American Apparel Manufacturers Association, Arlington, Virginia.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

H.R. 4214, to provide for the establishment of a State Mining and Mineral Resources Research Institute program, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute, and in lieu of S. 2186;

S. 1547, to grant certain lands to Olathe, Colorado, for the protection of its water supply;

S. 1868, to add funds to be budget ceiling for new acquisitions at Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore, Michigan, with amendments;

S. 2095, to designate the Wildcat River, New Hampshire, for study as a National Wild and Scenic River, with amendments;

S. 1739, to authorize the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States, with amendments; and

An original resolution (S. Res. 387) to waive section 402(a) of the Congressional Budget Act with respect to consideration of S. 1868, listed above.

SUPERFUND

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee resumed hearings on proposals to amend and extend the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980 (Superfund), receiving testimony from Lee M. Thomas, Assistant Administrator for Solid Waste and Emergency Response, Environmental Protection Agency; and Norman H. Nosenchuck, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, Albany, Charles Wilhelm, Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, Columbus, and George J. Tyler, New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Trenton, all on behalf of the Association of State and Territorial Solid Waste Management Officials.

Hearings continue on Wednesday, May 16.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Thomas H. Anderson, Jr., of Mississippi, to be Ambassador to Barbados, and to serve concurrently as Ambassador to the Commonwealth of Dominica, Ambassador to Saint Lucia, Ambassador to Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Ambassador to Antigua and Barbuda, and Ambassador to Saint Christopher and Nevis, and Harry E. Bergold, Jr., of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Nicaragua.

STRATEGIC DEFENSE AND ANTI-SATELLITE WEAPONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings to examine the President's proposed strategic defense initiative (SDI) and its relationship within U.S. arms control efforts, after receiving testimony from George A. Keyworth, II, Science Advisor to the President; Lt. General James A. Abrahamson, Director, Strategic Defense Initiative Programs;

Robert S. Cooper, Director, Defense Advances Research Projects Agency; Richard N. Perle, Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Policy; John Gardner, Assistant Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Defensive Systems; John H. Gibbons, Director, and Peter Sharfman, Program Manager, International Security and Commerce, both of the Office of Technology Assessment; Ashton B. Carter, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and Albert Carnsle, Harvard University, both of Cambridge, Massachusetts; Sidney Drell, Stanford Linear Accelerator, Mineral Park, California; and Robert W. Buchheim, former U.S. Representative to the 1978-79 U.S.-U.S.S.R. ASAT Talks.

POSTMASTER GENERAL'S REPORT

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded hearings in compliance with Section 2401(g) of Title 39, U.S. Code, which requires the Postal Service to submit to Congress a comprehensive statement on the status of the Postal Service, after receiving testimony from William F. Bolger, Postmaster General, and Harold Hughes, Acting General Counsel, both of the U.S. Postal Service.

D.C. HOME RULE

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Governmental Efficiency and the District of Columbia held hearings on S. 1858, making a technical correction to the legislative veto provisions of the Self-Government and Governmental Reorganization Act of 1973 (Home Rule Act), to maintain the status quo between the Congress and the City by bringing the congressional legislative veto contained in the Home Rule Act in line with the *INS v. Chadha* requirements of bicameral congressional action and presentment to the President, receiving testimony from Delegate Fauntroy; District of Columbia Mayor Marion Barry, Jr.; David A. Clarke, Council of the District of Columbia; Joseph E. diGenova, United States Attorney for the District of Columbia; and Alan Schott, Assistant General Counsel (Domestic Finance), Department of the Treasury.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Alicemarie H. Stotler, to be U.S. District Judge for the Central District of California, and Lloyd D. George, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Nevada, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Ms. Stotler was introduced by Senator Wilson, and Mr. George was introduced by Senators Laxalt and Hecht.

CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION PROCEDURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution held hearings on S. 119, to provide procedures for holding constitutional conventions for proposing amendments to the Constitution of the United States, receiving testimony from Neil H. Cogan, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas; and John Armor, Washington, D.C.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

LOBBYING AND ADVOCACY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Separation of Powers held hearings on S. 1405, to prohibit the use of government funds for private political advocacy by tax-exempt organizations, receiving testimony from Representative Craig; and Richard Dingman, The Fairness Committee, and David Remes, Covington and Burlington, on behalf of the American Civil Liberties Union, both of Washington, D.C.

Hearings continue on Wednesday, May 23.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Fred W. Alvarez, of New Mexico, to be a Member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, and Thomas F. Smegal, Jr., of California, Basile Joseph Uddo, of Louisiana, Hortencia Benavides, of Texas, and Lorain Miller, of Michigan, each to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Legal Services Corporation, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Alvarez was introduced by Senators Bingaman and Domenici, and Representative Lujan, Mr. Smegal was introduced by Senator Wilson, and Mr. Uddo was introduced by Senator Long.

INDIAN CHILD WELFARE

Select Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded oversight hearings on the implementation of the Indian Child Welfare Act (P.L. 95-608), after receiving testimony from John Fritz, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Indian Affairs; Raymond Butler, Chief, Social Services, and Ted Krenzke, Director of Indian Services, both of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior; Casimer Wichlacz, Deputy Commissioner, Louise Zokandelos Reyes, Senior Child Welfare Specialist, and Frank Ferro, Deputy Associate Commissioner, Children's Bureau, all of the Administration for Native Americans, Department of Health and Human Services; Steve Unger, Greg Argel, and Bert Hirsch, all on behalf of the Association of American Indian Affairs, New York City; Evelyn Blanchard, Portland, Oregon, Ethel C. Krepps, Oklahoma Indian Child Welfare Association, Tulsa, and Linda Amelia, Cam-

anche Foster Care Review Board, Lawton, Oklahoma, all on behalf of the Association of American Indians and Alaska Native Social Workers Service; Melvin Sampson, Yakima Indian Nation, Toppenish, Washington; Marie Starr, Muckleshoot Indian Tribe, Auburn, Washington; Joe Tallakson, Sense, Inc., Washington, D.C., on behalf of the Lummi Indian Tribe, Bellingham, Washington; Maureen Pie', Maniilaq Association, Kotzebue, Alaska; Eric Eberhard, Navajo Indian Nation, Window Rock, Arizona; Mary Wood, American Indian Center Native American Family and Child Service Program, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Toby Robles, Native American Center for ICWA Program, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; Michelle Aquilar, Native American Rehabilitation Association, Portland, Oregon; Jake Mendoza, Minneapolis Urban Center, Minneapolis, Minnesota; Elmira McClure, St. Augustine's Indian Child Welfare Program, Chicago, Illinois; James Sappier and Jeannie Almenas, both of the Penobscot Indian Nation, Old Town, Maine; Larry Lamebull and Connie McCloud, both of the Puyallup Indian Tribe, Tacoma, Washington; and Wanda Sharp, Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians, Philadelphia, Mississippi.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 16 public bills, H.R. 5504-5519; 5 private bills, H.R. 5520-5524; and 5 resolutions, H.J. Res. 554-556, and H. Res. 490 and 491 were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 4360, to improve the industrial competitiveness of the United States, amended (H. Rept. 98-697, filed on April 24);

H. Res. 490, providing for the consideration of S. 2570, to continue the transition provisions of the Bankruptcy Act until May 26, 1984 (H. Rept. 98-698);

H. Res. 491, providing for the consideration of H.R. 4275, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to construct, operate, and maintain hydroelectric powerplants at various existing water projects (H. Rept. 98-699);

H.R. 5027, to amend title 10, United States Code, to modify procedures for payment of military retired pay to spouses and former spouses of members of the uniformed services in compliance with court orders (H. Rept. 98-700);

H.R. 5051, Fishermen's Protective Act Authorization Extension, amended (H. Rept. 98-701);

H.R. 4585, to authorize appropriations for the Office of Environmental Quality and the Council on Environmental Quality for fiscal years 1985, 1986, and 1987, amended (H. Rept. 98-702);

H.R. 4921, to provide for the selection of additional lands for inclusion within the Bon Secour National Wildlife Refuge, amended (H. Rept. 98-703);

H.R. 5050, to extend until October 1, 1986, the authority and authorization of appropriations for certain programs under the Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956, amended (H. Rept. 98-704);

H.R. 5271, to extend the Wetlands Loan Act (H. Rept. 98-705);

H.J. Res. 537, designating the Brigantine and Barnegat units of the National Wildlife Refuge System as the Edwin B. Forsythe National Wildlife Refuge (H. Rept. 98-706);

H.R. 3987, to improve the preservation and management of Federal records, amended (H. Rept. 98-707);

H.R. 4821, to establish uniform audit requirements for State and local governments receiving Federal financial assistance, amended (H. Rept. 98-708); and

H. Res. 467, resolution of inquiry concerning the Central Intelligence Agency and death squads in El Salvador (H. Rept. 98-709).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker pro tempore wherein he designates Representative Foley to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Late Report: Committee on Armed Services received permission to have until midnight Thursday, April 26, to file a report on H.R. 5395, Department of Energy National Security and Military Applications of Nuclear Energy Authorization Act of 1985.

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NSF Authorization: By a recorded vote of 252 ayes to 99 noes, Roll No. 95, the House passed H.R. 4974, to authorize appropriations to the National Science Foundation for fiscal years 1985 and 1986.

Agreed to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

Agreed To:

An amendment that strikes the authorization for earthquake programs previously authorized by the Earthquake Hazards Reduction Act;

An amendment that strikes the provision authorizing the appropriate congressional committees to notify the Director that they have no objection to transfers of more than 10 percent of amounts authorized in categories; and

An amendment that places emphasis on basic scientific research to support a better understanding of the environmental processes that contribute to acid rain.

Rejected:

An amendment, as modified, that sought to reduce certain authorizations by a total of \$58.5 million (rejected by a recorded vote of 175 ayes to 180 noes, Roll No. 93); and

An amendment that sought to reduce the authorizations by 3.9 percent in NSF categories (rejected by a recorded vote of 170 ayes to 183 noes, Roll No. 94).

Agreed to amend the title.

H. Res. 480, the rule under which the bill was considered, was agreed to earlier by voice vote.

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Quorum Call—Votes: One quorum call and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 9934, 9939, 9941.

Adjournment: Met at 3 p.m. and adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Committee Meetings

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on District of Columbia held an overview hearing. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Government of the District of Columbia: Marion Barry, Jr., Mayor; and David A. Clarke, Chairman, Council.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing on Governmental Direction and Support. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Government of the District of Columbia: Otis Troupe, Auditor; and Clifton B. Smith, Secretary.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor-HHS-Education continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from Members of Congress and public witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from Members of Congress and public witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

WEAPON SYSTEM PROCUREMENT

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Investigations and Subcommittee on Procurement and Military Nuclear System held a hearing on Section 794 (relating to weapon system procurement of Public Law 98-212, Department of Defense Appropriation Act. Testimony was heard from Representative Levine of California; from the following officials of the Department of Defense: William H. Taft, IV, Deputy Secretary; Everett Pyatt, Acting Assistant Secretary for Shipbuilding and Logistics, Department of the Navy; Adm. Steven A. White, Chief of Naval Material, Department of the Navy; Lt. Gen. Donald M. Babers, Deputy Commander for Materiel Readiness, Department of the Army; and Brig. Gen. James C. Dever, Jr., Deputy Chief on Staff for Contracting and Manufacturing, Headquarters, Air Force Systems Command, Department of the Air Force; and public witnesses.

**EDUCATION PROGRAMS
AUTHORIZATION**

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Elementary, Secondary and Vocational Education approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 11, to extend through fiscal year 1989 the authorization of appropriations for certain education programs.

**OVERSIGHT—MINE SAFETY AND HEALTH
ACT**

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Health and Safety held an oversight hearing on the Mine Safety and Health Act regarding roof falls in underground mining and roof monitoring devices. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Mine Safety and Health Administration, Department of Labor: Madison McCulloch, Director of Technical Support; Herschel Potter, Chief, Division of Safety, Coal Mine Safety and Health; and John McCormick, Chief, Bruceton Safety Technology Center, Office of Technical Support; and public witnesses.

**METHANOL AS A TRANSPORTATION
FUEL**

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Fossil and Synthetic Fuels and the Subcommittee on Energy and Commerce continued hearings on methanol as a transportation fuel, including consideration of the following bills: H.R. 4855, Methanol Energy Policy Act of 1984; and H.R. 5075, Methanol Policy Act of 1984. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

**CLEAN AIR ACT REAUTHORIZATION
AMENDMENTS**

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and the Environment began markup of H.R. 5314, Clean Air Act Reauthorization Amendments of 1983.

Will continue tomorrow.

U.S. WITHDRAWAL FROM UNESCO

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Human Rights and International Organizations and the Subcommittee on International Operations held a joint hearing on U.S. Withdrawal from UNESCO. Testimony was heard from Representative Torres; Edmund Hennelly, Chair, U.S. Delegation to the 1983 UNESCO General Conference; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

**FEDERAL HOME LOAN BANK BOARD
SUPERVISION**

Committee on Government Operations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Consumer, and Monetary Affairs held a hearing on the Adequacy of Federal Home Loan Bank Board Supervision of Empire Savings and Loan Association of Mesquite, Texas. Testimony was heard from Representative Bryant; Edwin G. Gray, Chairman, Federal Home Loan Bank Board; L. Linton Bowman, III, Commissioner, Savings and Loan Department, State of Texas; and public witnesses.

CONTRACTING-OUT

Committee on Government Operations: Subcommittee on Manpower and Housing held a hearing on Contracting-Out EEO Investigations in Federal Agencies: Missteps at HUD. Testimony was heard from Representative Albosta; Douglas Bielan, Director of Public Sector Programs, EEOC; Joel Trosch, Executive Director, Office of EEO, Employee Relations Department, U.S. Postal Service; from the following officials of the National Labor Relations Board: Barbara Gainey, Director, Office of EEO; and Ernie Russell, Director of Administration; Judith Tardy, Assistant Secretary of Administration, Department of Housing and Urban Development; and public witnesses.

WILDERNESS LEGISLATION

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 3788, to designate various areas as components of National Wilderness Preservation System in the national forests in the State of Texas; H.R. 4263, Tennessee Wilderness Act of 1983; H.R. 5076, Pennsylvania Wilderness Act of 1984; and H.R. 5121, Virginia National Forest Wilderness Act of 1984.

CONTRACTS DISPUTES IMPROVEMENT ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Administrative Law and Governmental Relations continued hearings on H.R. 3668, Contract Disputes Improvement Act of 1983. Testimony was heard from Michael Eberhardt, Assistant Inspector General for Criminal Investigative Oversight and Policy, Office of the Inspector General, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

FBI UNDERCOVER OPERATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Civil and Constitutional Rights approved the printing with dissenting views of a report on FBI Undercover Operations.

OMNIBUS COPYRIGHT REFORM ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts, Civil Liberties, and the Administration of Justice began markup of the Omnibus Copyright Reform Act of 1984.

FOREIGN EVIDENCE RULES AMENDMENTS ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Criminal Justice held a hearing on H.R. 5406, Foreign Evidence Rules Amendment Act of 1984. Testimony was heard from Mark Richards, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Department of Justice; John M. Rankin, Deputy Assistant Commissioner (Criminal Investigation), IRS, Department of the Treasury; and a public witness.

OCS OVERSIGHT

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Panama Canal/Outer Continental Shelf held an oversight hearing on the status of the current 5-year OCS leasing schedule; the pace of the leasing schedule; and other OCS-related issues. Testimony was heard from William Clark, Secretary of the Interior.

BANKRUPTCY ACT EXTENSION

Committee on Rules: Granted a rule providing for consideration in the House of S. 2570, to continue the transition provisions of the Bankruptcy Act until May 26, 1984. Provides for one hour of general debate to be equally divided and controlled by the chairman and the ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit. Testimony was heard from Representatives Edwards of California, Fish, and Kindness.

FEDERAL RECLAMATION HYDROELECTRIC POWERPLANTS AUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule providing one hour of debate on H.R. 4275, Federal Reclamation Hydroelectric Powerplants Authorization Act of 1983. Testimony was heard from Chairman Udall, and Representative Cheney.

STRUCTURAL FAILURES

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Investigations and Oversight held a hearing on structural failures. Testimony was heard from Richard N. Wright, Director, National Bureau of Standards, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

FEDERAL SUBCONTRACTING PROGRAM COMPLIANCE

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on SBA and SBIC Authority, Minority Enterprise and General Small Business Problems continued hearings to investigate compliance with the Federal Subcontracting program for small and small disadvantaged businesses. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

TRADE DEFICIT

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Trade concluded hearings on the U.S. trade deficit. Testimony was heard from Senator Baucus; and Representatives Zschau, Lundine, and Ridge.

EL SALVADOR

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session and ordered reported unfavorably H. Res. 467, directing the President of the United States to provide certain information to the House of Representatives concerning the CIA and death squads in El Salvador.

Joint Meeting**COMMODITY FUTURES MARKETS**

Joint Economic Committee: Committee concluded hearings on improving the efficiency of commodity futures markets, after receiving testimony from Richard J. Dennis, C & D Commodities, John H. Frazier, Jr., Frazier-Parrott Commodities, Inc., Howard Stotler, Stotler and Company, and Robert L. Raclin, all of Chicago, Illinois; Richard E. Bell, Riceland Foods, Inc., Stuttgart, Kansas; Thomas A. Hieronymus, University of Illinois, Urbana; Robert Kohlmeier, Cargill, Inc., Minneapolis, Minnesota; and Arnold F. Mergell, International Association of Seed Crushers, London, England.